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SUBJECT: ZAIRE VIS-A-VIS ANGOLA

1. PORTUGUESE COMMUNITY IN SHABA TENSE OVER
RUMORS OF A) IMPENDING DETENTION BY GOZ OF
PORTUGUESE QTE HOSTAGES UNQTE AND B) OF UPCOMING
SHABA-BASED ARMED ACTION AGAINST EASTERN ANGOLA
IN LIBERATION CAMPAIGN.
2. RUMORS PRESUMABLY ILL-FOUNDED AND DERIVE
FROM LAST MONTH'S ARMY EXERCISES IN SOUTH
SHABA PLUS CONCOMITANT LIBERATION ORATORY BY
GOZ AUTHORITIES WHICH MAY HAVE LED SOLDIERS IN
KOLWEZI AND LIKASI AREAS TO CONCLUDE ACTION WAS
IMMINENT.
3. NEVERTHELESS THERE MUST BE RECALLED:
 - A) GOZ ATTEMPTED CENUS OF ANGOLANS IN ZAIRE.
 - B) FEAR BY ANGOLANS GOZ MAY DRAFT THEM INTO A LIBERATION ARMY.

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C) GOZ PUBLIC POSTURE OF LIBERATION MILITANCY.

D) EXISTANCE OF BASE CAMP IN SHABA PER GOZ ALLEGATION.

E) PRESENCE AND PUBLIC STATEMENTS OF HOLDEN ROBERTO IN LUBUMBASHI
AND

F) RECENT RE-SHUFFLING OF GOZ MILITARY UNITS IN
SHABA AND QTE TEMPORARY UNQTE RESTRICTIONS ON CONTACT BETWEEN
FOREIGN MILITARY AND SHABA MILITARY. (KINSHASA 9002).

NOT IRRATIONAL TO THINK SOME SORT OF ARMED ACTION
AGAINST EASTERN ANGOLA MAY BE CONTEMPLATED, EVEN IF LIMITED
TO TOKEN OPERATION FOR POLITICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL
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